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Honorable James H. Welsh
Commissioner of Conservation
Office of Conservation
Post Office Box 94275
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Re: Bol Mex 3 Sand, Reservoir D
Broussard Field
Lafayette Parish, Louisiana

Dear Commissioner Welsh:

Application is hereby made on behalf of **NEWFIELD EXPLORATION COMPANY** for the calling of a public hearing, after ten (10) days legal notice, to consider evidence relative to the issuance of an order pertaining to the following matters relating to the Bol Mex 3 Sand, Reservoir D, in Broussard Field, Lafayette Parish, Louisiana, for which rules and regulations were established and drilling and production units were created for the exploration for and production of gas and condensate by the 442-D Series of Office of Conservation Orders, including the unit designated BOL MEX 3 RD SUD:

1. To permit the applicant to drill, designate and utilize its Palmer et al No. 1 Well as substitute unit well for the BOL MEX 3 RD SUD, said well located as shown on the plat attached hereto.
2. To find that the proposed substitute unit well is necessary to efficiently and economically drain a portion of the reservoir covered by the unit in which it is situated which cannot be so drained by any existing well within such unit.
3. Except to the extent contrary herewith, to continue in full force and effect the provisions of the 442-D Series of Office of Conservation Orders, the units created thereby, and applicable Statewide Orders.
4. To consider such other matters as may be pertinent.

March 24, 2003

The Bol Mex 3 Sand, in Broussard Field, Lafayette Parish, Louisiana, was previously defined in Office of Conservation Order No. 442-D, effective March 18, 1986.

The existing unit well is off production in the unitized interval. The applicant is therefore requesting permission to drill, designate and utilize its Palmer et al No. 1 Well as substitute unit well for the BOL MEX 3 RD SUD at the location shown on the attached plat.

Attached hereto and made a part hereof are a plat outlining the applicant's proposal and a list of the names and addresses of the Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties to whom a copy of this application is being sent. Pursuant to the Revised Rules of Procedure, the list of parties is being furnished only to the Commissioner of Conservation and to the District Manager of the Lafayette District of the Office of Conservation; however, the list of parties will be provided to any party requesting a copy of it. A reasonable effort was made to ascertain the names and addresses of all Interested Owners, Interested Parties and Represented Parties.

Finally, enclosed is our check on behalf of the applicant, in the amount of \$755.00, made payable to the Office of Conservation representing the required hearing application fee.

Very truly yours,

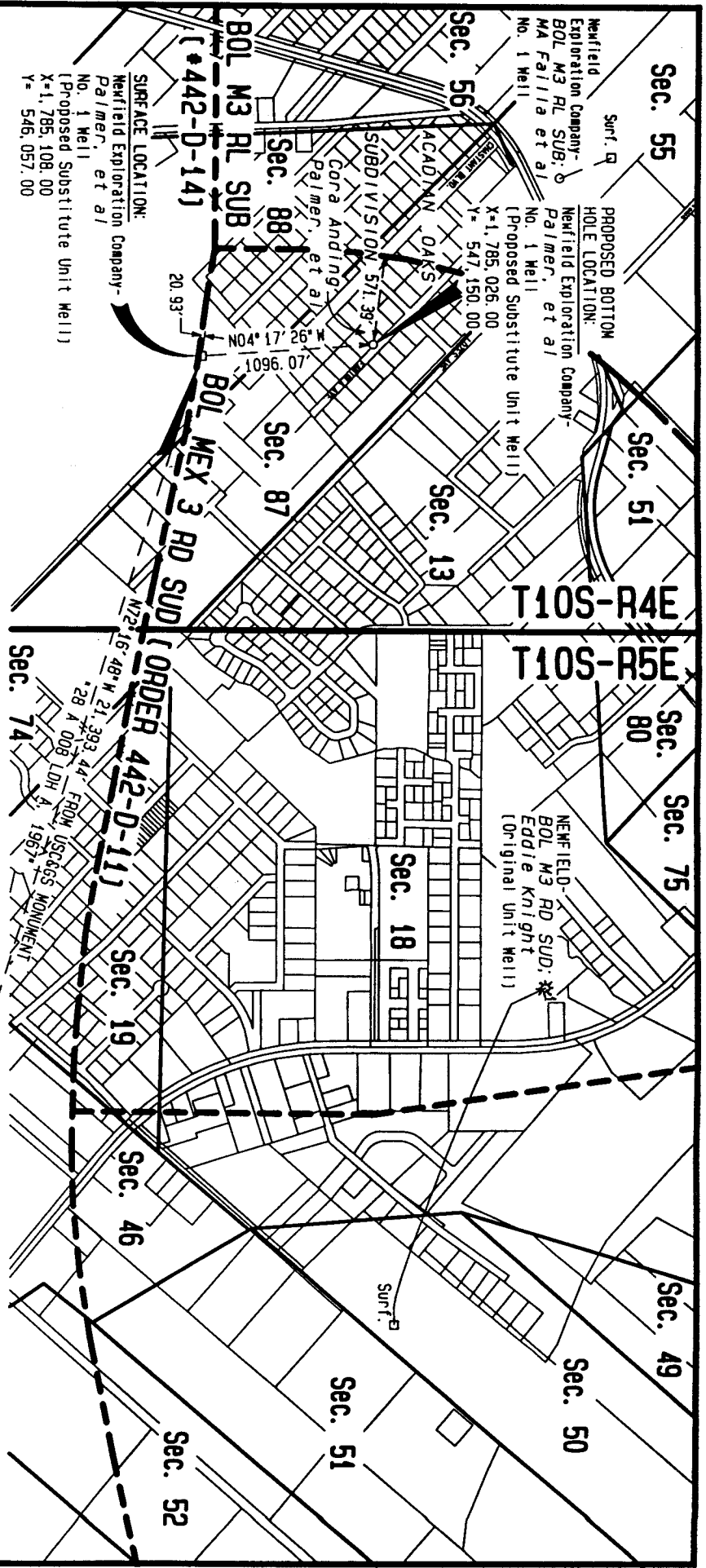


Richard W. Revels, Jr.

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Enclosures

cc: Mr. Richard Hudson, Lafayette District Office of Conservation
cc: Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties

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SURFACE LOCATION:
 Newfield Exploration Company-
 Palmer, et al
 No. 1 Well
 (Proposed Substitute Unit Well)
 X=1,785,108.00
 Y=546,057.00

Newfield Exploration Company-
 Palmer, et al No. 1 Well
 (Proposed Substitute Unit Well)
 Surveyed March 24, 2003 as follows:
 SURFACE LOCATION being N72°16'48"W 21,393.44' from USCGGS
 Monument *28 A 008 LDH A 1967*, located in Section 88,
 T10S-R4E, Lafayette Parish, Louisiana.
 PROPOSED BOTTOM HOLE LOCATION to be N04°47'26"W 1096.07'
 from Surface Location, located in Section 87,
 T10S-R4E, Lafayette Parish, Louisiana.



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 Date: March 20, 2003
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NEWFIELD EXPLORATION COMPANY

Palmer, et al No. 1 Well
 (Proposed Substitute Unit Well)
 Section 87, T10S-R4E
 Lafayette Parish, Louisiana

C.H. Fenstermaker & Associates, Inc.

Residential or commercial structures exist
 within a 500' radius of the well location
 on March 24, 2003.

1000' 500' 0' 1000'

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